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FRESH INVESTMENT IN TEXTILE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the blue prints prepared by some States to attract fresh investment in the textile sector;

(b) whether the potential of textile centers have been identified in these States;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to develop textile sector in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR)

(a), (b) & (c) Government is not aware of any such blue print or policy proposal. However, a conference of State/UT Ministers in charge of Textiles was held on 10th April, 2001 to discuss issues important for the effective implementation of National Textile Policy, 2000 and for preparing the industry for global competition and for the post MFA challenges. The Conference adopted a set of recommendations for taking action raised in the Agenda that would lead to the strengthening of the Industry. It was inter-alia resolved in the conference that the Central Government as well as Governments of States and Union Territory Administration would make concerted efforts to develop all segments of textile industry and enable them to realise their full potential.

(d) Government has taken various steps to encourage investment in the textile sector. Some of these are, introduction of the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), de-reservation of readymade garment (woven) sector, reduction in customs duty of specified textile machinery, etc.